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FINAL EXAMINATION

TRIMESTER 2, 2018/2019

UPI3622- PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW I1

(All Sections/ Groups)

13 MARCH 2019

Reading Time: 2.30 p.m. – 2.45 p.m.
(15 Minutes)
Answering Time: 2.45 p.m. – 5.45 p.m.
(3 Hours)

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1. Students will have **fifteen minutes** during which they may read the paper and make rough notes ONLY in their question paper. Students then have the remaining **THREE HOURS** in which to answer the questions.

2. This Question paper consists of 2 pages with 4 Questions only.

3. Attempt question 1A **or** 1B. Questions **2-4** are compulsory. The distribution of the marks for each question is given.

4. Students are not allowed to bring in any statutes into the Examination Hall.

5. Please write all your answers in the Answer Booklet provided.

ATTEMPT EITHER: -

QUESTION 1A

The right of self defence under international law a state is exercised when it is deemed necessary to defend itself against an attack to thwart the aggressor.

Outline and explain the essential elements of a lawful self defence as stated in Chapter VII, Article 51 of the United Nations Charter.

(Total: 25 Marks)

OR

QUESTION 1B

The United Nations Charter in article 2 (4) clearly defines the principle of the prohibition of the use of force.

Identify the basic rules of this principle and explain the two different views of the interpretation of the article.

(Total: 25 Marks)

STUDENT MUST ATTEMPT ALL OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS: -

QUESTION 2

Under the International Bill of Human Rights, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) was adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on December 16 1966.

Describe the obligations of States under Article 2 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) and the scope of the application.

(Total: 25 Marks)

QUESTION 3

One of the cardinal principles of the United Nations is that in respect of justice and international law is that, all states are required to settle disputes in a peaceful manner.

Illustrate with decided cases the various methods on the peaceful settlements of disputes as envisaged by Article 33 of the UN Charter.

(Total: 25 Marks)

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QUESTION 4

After a long standing border dispute with the neighbouring State of AKRINE, the state of RUSKIA attacked and occupied more than 1000 square kilometres of land, thus taking control of a number of villages that were originally within the boundaries of the State of AKRINE. The State of AKRINE brought the matter to the UN Security Council who condemned the action of RUSKIA and raised the concern of the civilian population which is now under the belligerent occupation of the hostile country.

Analyse the situation above in the context of protection of civilian population in the occupied territories as provided by the Fourth Geneva Convention (1949). Support and elaborate your answer based on the relevant provisions of the convention.

(Total: 25 Marks)

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